

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A contact assembly for a contact blade has two outer sheet-metal combs of generally identical shape and each unitarily formed with a longitudinally throughgoing base strip lying in a respective base plane and having a pair of longitudinal edges and a plurality of forks each having a pair of contact arms projecting transversely from one of the edges of the respective base strip generally parallel to each other and to the respective base plane. The arms of each fork are spaced transversely of the respective base plane from each other and define a mouth open parallel to the respective base plane away from the respective one edge. The base strips are transversely juxtaposed with the mouths aligned and forming a blade-receiving slot open parallel to the base planes and with the forks of one of the combs interleaved with the forks of the other of the combs.